

# Patient—hearing level significant change, code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Hearing level significant change
<b>Synonymous names:</b>	significant change in hearing level
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	500276
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 11/08/2014
<b>Definition:</b>	A descriptor of a patient's significantly changed hearing level, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Patient—significant change in hearing level</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Significance of change N</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code	
<b>Data type:</b>	Number	
<b>Format:</b>	N	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Significant improvement
	2	Significant deterioration

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** Significant change is defined as:

- 5 dBHL in 6 consecutive frequencies
- 10 dBHL in 3 consecutive frequencies
- 15 dBHL in 2 consecutive frequencies
- 30 dBHL at on frequency.

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### Relational attributes

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Previous audiology assessment information cluster](#)  
[Indigenous](#), Standard 11/08/2014

**Conditional obligation:** Valid on a 'yes' response to the hearing level change indicator data element which is based on any significant change in hearing levels since the last assessment.

**DSS specific information:**

In this data element 'unknown' is equivalent to 'unsure' on the collection form.